

Technology Donations Plan

MSAD#75 recognizes that technology donations of newer, high-powered equipment can be valuable assets in providing technology services. Donations can also become costly if the technology requires excessive staff resources to support, additional expenditures to support the donated systems, expand the network without long-term supporting resources, are incompatible with existing systems, or divert staff attention from important roles and projects. All donations must be evaluated prior to acceptance to ensure the device is appropriate and is in alignment with the technology plan and current initiatives. Donated equipment will be used to replace existing infrastructure on a one-to-one basis in a manner consistent with the equity plan.

Donations can be offered and accepted throughout the school year. Set-up and deployment of donated equipment will generally be available between January and July, dependent upon resources. Once accepted, donations will be made directly to the district and delivered to the district office. The technology department will evaluate needs across the district and deploy to the locations that are most appropriate and that align with the project and replacement schedules.

Donated devices must meet the minimum standards set by the technology department and be a maximum of 3 years old. Individual donations of devices must meet or exceed the specified standard. Donated devices that do not meet the standard may be accepted if the device can be upgraded to meet the standard at a maximum cost threshold of \$100.00 per unit (maximum of \$1,000/year). Units requiring greater investments by MSAD75 will be denied. Corporations and institutions willing to donate large quantities of equipment will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Current list of standards are available at <http://www.link75.org/helpdesk>